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9 December 1959

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, DOB

SUBJECT : ^{Acceptance} CINCEUR Wartime Intelligence Requirements

- REFERENCES :
- a. OFDA-264 dated 20 November 1959 from SWPE, Subject: "Transmittal of EUCOM Wartime Clandestine Intelligence Collection Requirements" (with TS Attachment #173683)
 - b. Thermofax Copy of OFDA-267 dated 23 November 1959 from SWPE, Subject: "Suggested Instructions to Field Stations for Accepting US EUCOM War-time Clandestine Intelligence Collection Requirements"
 - c. Memo from DC/FI Plans dated 3 December 1959

1. As a follow-up of our conversation earlier this week attached are pertinent papers related to EUCOM's wartime intelligence collection requirements, including the basic list of EUCOM's clandestine collection requirements for wartime dealing specifically with the USSR. These are reflected on pages 47 through 69 of the TS attachment to OFDA-264. (Actually, OFDA-264 includes additionally the requirements for Eastern European Satellite countries, as well as Yugoslavia, but these are the concern of EE Division who have also gotten a complete set of enclosures to go along with a separate assembly that was sent directly to them by FI/Plans.)

2. In line with instructions received from FI/Plans Group I am sending these papers along to you with the understanding that SR Division will withhold any final comments indicating acceptance or non-acceptance of the individual EUCOM intelligence requirements reflected on the attached until responses from the field stations whose interests are involved are received in headquarters.

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3. It is not expected that the overseas stations involved will be able, in good conscience, to indicate "acceptance" of many of the requirements for wartime collection action in the USSR with which we are expected to deal. However, I have talked over this angle with FI/Plans who suggests that we adopt a "wait and see" attitude. In the meantime, I suggest that you and Ed Podworny examine this list of requirements from the point of view of acceptance or non-acceptance by SR Division on the strength of capabilities already developed or in the process of development over the next two years through our AEDEPOT Program. Obviously, we will examine these requirements (for intelligence collection) having in mind the same assets which served as the basis for the acceptances made a matter of record by SR Division at the time of the receipt of the U/W requirements. In the response that will be made ultimately for SR Division it will, of course, be necessary to indicate there will, of necessity, have to be set up a system of priorities whereby the relative importance of intelligence collection vis-a-vis U/W must be decided.

4. In response to my question about the form in which SR will ultimately frame its responses with respect to the individual intelligence collection requirements, I have learned that ~~the~~ War Plans Staff will make available to me "Report of Capability" forms, stencils of which have recently been sent to the printers for preparation. I'll get these to you as soon as they are made available to me. They will be very similar to the forms that were used in connection with the U/W exercise.

5. In looking over the requirements shown on pages 47 through 69 of TS-173683 it appears to me that it should not be too hard to come to grips with the requirements for information on specific possible or suspected launching sites and military unit locations that make up the bulk of the requirements. However, the requirements for information on strategy, plans, intentions, overall defense structures, etc., of the sort shown on pages 47, 64, 68, and 69 are another matter and are not too likely to be the sort of things that we can "accept" too readily simply on the basis of our AEDEPOT assets.

These requirements are now in form of notes in addition to the U/W requirements received previously.

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6. After you have had a chance to look these over please get in touch with me and we can talk over how to go about our review. Please return OFDA-267 as well as OFDA-264 (with its attachments) to the writer when we have finished up with this exercise.

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